

### LIKES THE ARMY.

He Has Strenuous Times, Gets Tired But Is "Fine and Fit"—Likes the Game.

Russell Creasey, son of Mason Creasey, of Mexico, is with the 129th Field Artillery at Fort Sill, Okla. He has written the following letter to his father here:

Camp Doniphan, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.—We are completely organized and settled now. The drill and the hardening of the men has started. All day long aeroplanes and observation balloons fly over our heads and a mile to our right the French 75s have been booming for hours. They are no longer a curiosity to me and I pay them no more attention than a sparrow at home. Uncle Sam may be slow but anyone who will come here and look over the boys training will soon go away with one idea firmly fixed in their heads—that Uncle Sam is in earnest.

I'm feeling tired but fine and fit. I'm simply wearing out my teeth eating. How the open air does work up an appetite. I am eating more than ever before in my life and working and sleeping like a dog. When out yesterday morning, after standing guard all night, to cut 100 head of horses out of 3,000 animals in a corral. Talk about dirt and scared horses. It took about two hours to get the 100 and I was black with dirt.

This is life. Up at 5:45, work all day and the bed at 10:00 p. m. I am doing detail work now; scout duty, signaling and range finding. Anyone who thinks that firing range finding, observation, etc., is easy ought to get into it like we do—out without water for half a day maybe and walk back to camp. I'm beginning to get brown and hard woad and gaining a little weight.

You ought to see me wash clothes. I'm a hum-dinger at it. Also a good shoe polisher and dish washer. As chambermaid to a horse, I'm not bad either. This leaves Roy and me both well. Your devoted son, RUSSELL CREASEY.

### RE-ELECTS OFFICERS.

The Farmers & Laborers Co-operative Insurance Association held its annual meeting in Mexico last week. The officers for the past year were re-elected—President, D. L. Rogers; secretary, T. E. Hook; directors, S. C. Groves, Mexico; Jacob Freyer, Laddonia, and W. S. Barnaby, of Vandalia.

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### CHANGES HIS WORK.

Ed F. Kunkel, who has been connected with the Mexico Postoffice for 20 years, has been transferred to Rural Route, No. 3. Mr. Kunkel is faithful and a most reliable man.

### DR. MOORE DEAD.

Dr. Wm. E. Moore, dentist, 35 years old, a single man, son of D. P. Moore, the latter now of Webster Groves, formerly of Laddonia and Mexico, died in Chicago last Thursday. The body was shipped to Mexico for burial. Rev. A. A. Wallace held a short funeral service. The burial was with Masonic honors.

### VANDIVER AND YATES.

Hon. W. D. Vandiver, Assistant U. S. Treasurer, and former Governor R. D. Yates of Springfield, Ill., delivered addresses to a large gathering in Mexico Court House yard last Saturday afternoon, both making appeals in behalf of the Liberty Loan Bonds.

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### HIGH HILL DISTRICT.

People busy harvesting corn; some are making molasses. B. F. Pulls has dug 30 bushels fine potatoes.

Grover Sims passed this neighborhood with a big drove of sheep. S. A. Pulls has traded Mexico property for the store at Thompson and will soon take charge. Mrs. Margaret Pulls is his guest at Thompson.

J. O. Sims has hauled 8 loads of cane to Mr. Forbis. He will have plenty of sweetness.

The children of Oliver Davis are having a siege of diphtheria.

Dr. Griffin was called to decide about the children with swollen glands. The trouble is slight and the little ones will soon be in school.

Lee Miller paid \$40 per head for a few good calves.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hulén were guests Sunday of E. P. Pulls. Elmer Pulls recently paid \$65 for a cow.

We regret to chronicle the death of Mr. Disert of Hallsville. He was a good Christian man, one of the leading members of the Baptist Church. Our sympathy goes out to the family in this sad hour.

### LADDONIA LETTER.

Alex Sox, 70 years old, of the Mt. Olivet neighborhood, died Saturday. Mr. Sox was an old resident of that locality.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mayhall are in St. Louis this week.

C. C. Ingram was in Mexico Monday on business.

The Baptist Congregation had a roll-call last Sunday. One charter member, Mrs. Turner of Wellsville, was present. There is but one other charter member living, Mrs. Mary Hamilton, who resides with her son, Fred Hamilton, near Laddonia. This church was organized 50 years ago.

Mr. John Hanson and Miss Alice Cook, of near Laddonia, who were married recently, arrived home from Michigan where they spent their honeymoon. Mr. Hanson is Worthy Patron of the Eastern Star Chapter in Laddonia and the order gave Mr. and Mrs. Hanson a grand reception and dinner.

### DEATH OF MR. ATKINSON.

James B. Atkinson, 66 years old, who was born and reared east of Auxvasse and who moved to Mexico six years ago, died here Saturday night after an extended illness. Rev. Ramsey of Jonesburg held funeral service at the home Monday afternoon, burial in Elmwood.

The wife survives besides two sons, Willard and Emmett. Mr. Atkinson was a manly man and highly respected.

The pallbearers were A. C. Barnes, Mason Creasey, and Dan Dillard of Mexico and F. C. Stokes, Obie Wright and Wm. Overfelt, Auxvasse.

### DEATH OF LITTLE CHILD.

John Arvin, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Jones of near Thompson, died the 5th inst. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at Hopewell Church. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved parents.

### MRS. MYERS OF RUSH HILL.

Mrs. James Myers died at her home in Rush Hill Wednesday of last week. She was ill but a short time. The husband and one child survive. The body was taken to Illinois for burial.

### NOT TO MOVE AWAY.

Edwin Machin informs us that he is not, contrary to the statement made by the Message last week, intending to move to Wellsville. He is offering his home in Mexico for sale but does not intend to leave the city. We are glad to know this.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Byrns are visiting Mrs. Byrns' sister, Mrs. Wm. Schleeter, at Mt. Zion, Iowa. The Schleeter family formerly lived south of Mexico.

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### McMILLAN NOTES.

(By William Hickman.)

The McMillan Cadet Corps was given its final organization last Tuesday. After a week of squad drill, the company formations were resumed, and officers for the year appointed. Harold Willis holds the captaincy of Company A, and James Rogers is captain of Company B. Other officers of Company A are: First Lieutenant, William Walker Johnson; Second Lieutenant, Loyal Wonneman; First Sergeant, Clagitt Offutt. Alvin Beamer is First Lieutenant of Company B; Loyal Wonneman, Second Lieutenant, and Richard McKinney, First Sergeant. Curtis Mitchell was given the office of Adjutant General. Two privates and one corporal are detailed each day to raise and lower the flag on the building. All cadets are required to salute on meeting all superior officers above the rank of First Sergeant, except in the school building, or on the athletic field.

An order for eighty-seven class pins, by far the largest number of class pins ever ordered by a class, was placed with Mr. E. A. Dearing, the jeweler, by the class of 1919. At a class meeting last Thursday, two samples were submitted, to be chosen by a popular vote, and one was almost unanimously chosen. It was offered in two grades, a gold-filled for \$1.75, and a solid gold for \$2.00. Owing to the unquestionable superiority of the solid gold pin, it was ordered by every member of the class.

This is a very beautiful little pin, and is sure to be pleasing to all.

A serious epidemic of scarlet fever is raging among some of the children of the Primary Department of the Central School, but as yet there are no cases in the High School. A nurse is on duty, examining the students to detect any symptoms. It is hoped that, by taking the proper precautions, the spread of the disease may be controlled.

As a training preparatory to basketball, Coach Rich is contemplating introducing a new game for the boys of McMillan, but the name of the game has not been made known, nor the nature entirely disclosed. It is similar to football however except that the ball is not kicked. The boys are looking forward with great expectancy for the opening of the basketball season.

At 2:30, Saturday afternoon, the Juniors and Seniors were excused to attend the patriotic lectures in the Circuit Court Room in the behalf of the Second Liberty Loan. Poor Freshies and Sophs, and some poor unfortunate faculty members, were forced to "stay home" on account of the limited space in the Circuit Court Room. The first speaker was Mr. Vandiver, Assistant Treasurer, who gave a very inspiring and forceable lecture, after which, Hon. Richard Yates, Ex-Governor of Illinois, made a very stirring talk, pleading for the cause of the Liberty Bond issue.

Before an assembly of the girls Saturday morning, Miss Dobbs of the University of Missouri, lectured on "Personality."

Last week marked the close of the first six-weeks term, and report cards will be given out soon.

### YOUNGBLOOD-GIBSON.

We quote the following item from the Laddonia Herald:

Married, Saturday, October 6th, at 8 o'clock, Miss Blanche Gibson and Mr. Frank Youngblood.

Mr. Youngblood, having been reared in the Catholic faith, the rites of that church were honored, and later the ceremony was performed by Rev. R. L. Scwab at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Gibson.

Mrs. Youngblood is a very capable and charming young lady. She is a graduate of McMillan High School of Mexico, and a former student of the Missouri University. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Youngblood of this vicinity. He is an industrious and very likeable young man.

The couple will reside on the farm of the groom's father, five miles southeast of Laddonia.

The Herald joins their many friends in wishing them abundance of prosperity and happiness.

Let us forget, The Message will be \$1.50 a year after December 1, 1917, cash in advance. "After your name is a date—renew before it is too late."

### NEEDED BY UNCLE SAM.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 16.—Now that Uncle Sam has the young men in training for military service, he needs also 10,000 typewriter operators and stenographers and typewriters, both men and women, for the Departments at Washington. The entrance salaries range from \$1,000 to \$1,200 a year. Full information secured from the secretary of the board of civil service examiners at the postoffice in your city.



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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1917, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of said day, for cash, to the highest bidder, at public vendue, for the purpose of paying said debt and costs of executing this trust.

J. R. JESSE, Trustee.  
First publication Sept. 20, 1917.

### UNCLE JACOB SCHROLL.

The Message has a note from A. J. Schroll, at Johnson City, Tenn. He is there, he says, with his father, Jacob Schroll, who is very feeble.

The Schroll family formerly lived at Farber, this county, settling in Audrain many years ago. Jacob Schroll is at the Soldiers' Home in Johnson City. He is near 90 years of age.

Mr. Shannon Botts of Chicago, son of the late W. J. Botts of Mexico, was married in Kansas City last week to Miss Lucile Pryor. They are to make their home in Kansas City.

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### ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri, County of Audrain, ss. In the Circuit Court, November Term, 1917.

Orson P. King, . . . . . Plaintiff,

vs.

Lottie E. King, . . . . . Defendant.

The State of Missouri to the above named defendant Greeting.

Now on this October 12th, 1917, comes the plaintiff in the above entitled cause and files with the clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court in vacation his petition duly verified by affidavit herein, among other things plaintiff alleges that defendant herein, Lottie E. King, is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and can not be served with the ordinary process of law in this State.

It is therefore ordered by the Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court, in vacation, that publication be made herein notifying the non-resident defendant that plaintiff has commenced suit against her in the Circuit Court of Audrain County, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from said defendant, on the grounds of general indignities and desertion, and now, you, said non-resident defendant, are hereby notified of the pendency of this suit, the object and general nature thereof, and unless you be and appear at the next regular term of the Audrain County Circuit Court to be begun and held at the Court House in Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri, on the fourth Monday in November, 1917, and on or before the first day of said term answer or otherwise plead to plaintiff's petition the same will be taken as confessed and decree rendered as prayed in said petition.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published in the Mexico Missouri Message, a weekly newspaper published in Mexico, Missouri, and circulated in Audrain County, Missouri, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be more than fifteen days before the next term of said Court aforesaid.

(SEAL) Witness my hand and official seal. Done at office in the City of Mexico, County and State aforesaid, this October 12th, 1917.

E. F. ELLIOTT, Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court.

A true copy from the record.

Attest E. F. Elliott, Clerk.

A. C. Whitson, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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